



Ripley Town Council

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MINUTES of the MEETING OF RIPLEY TOWN COUNCIL
held at 7.00pm on **Tuesday 15th October 2024** in the Council Chamber,
Town Hall, Market Place, Ripley.

In Attendance: Cllrs R Ashton, C Bailey, L Cox (Chair), R Emmas-Williams, S Freeborn, M Hawkins, T Holmes, P Lobley BEM, P Moss, A Nicholls, N Weaving, P Weaving, K Smith, K Somers and M Wilson
Plus: Jayne Simpson - Town Clerk and Hannah Curzon – Deputy Clerk. Fiona Barrett – Administrative Assistant

Plus: Two members of the public and one member of the press

AGENDA

151024/1. To receive Apologies for Absence.

Apologies were received from Cllrs. M Allwood, A Burslem, M Jones and A Ward.

151024/2. Variation of Order of Business

RESOLVED to withdraw item 17 from the agenda as nothing to report.

151024/3. Declaration of Members Interests

Councillor Ashton declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 14 as a member of Derbyshire County Council. He remained in the meeting for the discussion.

Councillor Moss declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 14 as a member of Derbyshire County Council. He remained in the meeting for the discussion.

Councillor Freeborn declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 15 as a Trustee of Amber Valley CVS. He left the meeting for this item.

151024/4. Public Speaking

Cllr. Wilson reported that he had been approached by residents regarding the 'rat run' between Elms Avenue and Brook Lane.

Cllr. Williams supported Cllr. Wilson's comments and reported seeing motorcyclists on the public footpath. He tried to report the incident calling 101 but couldn't get through.

Cllr. Somers reported that 'takeaway delivery type' motorcycles are turning off Oxford Street at the pedestrian crossing by the library and are using the 'jitty' to avoid following the one-way system.

Cllr. Freeborn reported that the dates for Ripley Music Festival 2025 will be 5th to 13th July.

A member of the public reported that a lot of young people on bikes have been riding on pavements, crossings and Ripley Market Place doing 'wheelies', also going the wrong way up Oxford Street and seeing a motorcyclist riding at speed through Co-Op car park – having no consideration for pedestrians or parked cars as could have lost control.

Cllr. Moss reassured everyone that through regular contact with DCC, they were aware of the problems raised and would be addressing this financial year. Cllr. Moss will try and get an update.

151024/5. To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Town Council's Meeting on September 17th 2024.

RESOLVED to confirm and agree to sign the minutes as a true and accurate record.

151024/6. To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Certificate of Merit Working Party on September 24th 2024 and accept any recommendations therein.

RESOLVED to confirm and agree to sign the minutes as a true and accurate record.

151024/7. To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Environment & Regeneration Committee Meeting on 26th September 2024 and accept any recommendations and resolutions therein.

RESOLVED to confirm and agree to sign the minutes as a true and accurate record.

151024/8. To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Policy & Management Committee meeting on 26th September 2024 and accept the recommendations therein.

RESOLVED to confirm and agree to sign the minutes as a true and accurate record.

151024/9. To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Planning Meeting on 1st October 2024 and accept the recommendations therein.

RESOLVED to confirm and agree to sign the minutes as a true and accurate record.

151024/10. To confirm the Non-Confidential Minutes of the Extraordinary Full Council Meeting on 8th October 2024 and accept the recommendations therein

RESOLVED to confirm and agree to sign the minutes as a true and accurate record.

151024/11. To determine which items if any part of the agenda should be taken with the public excluded.

None

151024/12. Mayor's Announcements.

The Mayor and Consort attended the following engagements since the last Town Council monthly meeting:

Monday 23rd September 2024 – Garden & Allotment Presentation – Ripley Co-Op.

The Mayor expressed her thanks to the Co-Op's continued generosity for supporting the annual Garden and Allotment competition.

Thursday 26th September 2024 – Attended a cheque presentation with the Ripley Hospital League of Friends from Shaun and Emily Hogg from the Ripley and Tansley Car Boot Sales.

151024/13. Town Clerk announcements:

a) Reminder about the annual fair dinner at the Excavator on Tuesday 22nd October 2024 and the official opening of Ripley Fair on Wednesday 23rd October 2024 at 6pm.

The Town Clerk reminded members about the details for above event.

NOTED

b) Reminder about the Ripley Remembrance Parade and Service on Sunday 10th November 2024. The parade will start from the Co-Op carpark at 10.30am

The Town Clerk reminded members about the details for above event.

NOTED

- c) **Reminder about the Ripley Civic Service on Sunday 17th November 2024 at 3pm at All Saints Church, Ripley. Notification of attendance by Friday 8th November 2024.**

The Town Clerk reminded members about the details for above event.

NOTED

- d) **Reminder for member to respond to the invitation from Amber Valley Borough Council to the Mayor or Amber Valley's Civic Carol Service on Sunday 8th December 2024 at 3pm at All Saints Church, Ripley.**

The Town Clerk reminded members about the details for above event.

NOTED

- e) **Certificate of Merit Award winner, Lynsey Booth from Waingroves, has accepted the award. She will be presented with it at the January 2025 Full Council Meeting.**

The Town Clerk reported the above, noting that the winner is unable to accept her award at the Ripley Civic Service, therefore she will be invited to the January full council meeting to be presented with it. Cllr. Williams congratulated Ms. Booth for winning the award.

NOTED

- 151024/14. Discuss the damage to the bollards on Oxford Street, Ripley.**

RESOLVED Ripley Town Council to write to Derbyshire County Council to install replacement bollards as soon as possible. Also, write to Derbyshire Police to request more enforcement on Oxford Street to include ticketing offenders and raising awareness. Write to Amber Valley Borough Council to request they install a camera at the top of Oxford Steet to capture vandals.

Cllr. Freeborn left the meeting at 19:25.

- 151024/15. Discuss the request for financial support from Amber Valley CVS for befriending support and general CVS activity in 2025-2026.**

RESOLVED Ripley Town Council write to Amber Valley CVS advising them as well as having contacted Town Councils in the Amber Valley area to give them a financial grant of £25,000 for 2025/2026, to also contact parish councils in the borough to suggest they also raise funds through their parish precept to help contribute towards befriending support and general activities they provide.

Cllr. Freeborn returned to the meeting at 19:30.

- 151024/16. Discuss the sustainability threat to Strelley Wood, Waingroves.**

RESOLVED Ripley Town Council seek to liaise with Amber Valley Borough Council, Derbyshire County Council, landowners in the area, community groups, Fortera and other interested parties to maintain the long-term future of the wood and its habitat, for public use now and in the future.

- 151024/17. Discuss the proposed purchase of the woodland off Peasehill Road, Ripley**

RESOLVED to remove this item from the agenda.

- 151024/18. Planning applications**

None

- 151024/19/ Exclusion of Press and Public**

None

- 151024/20 Meeting Closed at 19:39.**

Date for the Next Full Council Meeting 19th November 2024, at 7.00pm.

Signed..... Date.....